Rock Prairie Valley Groundwater Basin

• Groundwater Basin Number: 5-43

County: Modoc

• Surface Area: 5,740 acres (9 square miles)

Basin Boundary and Hydrology

The Rock Prairie Valley Groundwater Basin is an alluvial filled valley in southeastern Modoc County. It is bounded to the northeast by northwest trending faults. The basin is bounded to the northeast, southeast, and west by Pliocene basalt and to the southwest by Miocene basalt (Gay 1968). The valley drains to the northeast. Graven and Baley reservoirs are located along the eastern boundary. Annual precipitation ranges from 19- to 21-inches.

Hydrogeologic Information

Hydrogeologic information was not available for the following:

Water-Bearing Formations Groundwater Level Trends Groundwater Storage Groundwater Budget Groundwater Quality

Well Characteristics

Well yields (gal/min)				
Municipal/Irrigation	NKD			
Total depths (ft)				
Domestic	NKD			
Municipal/Irrigation	NKD			

Active Monitoring Data

Agency	Parameter	Number of wells /measurement frequency
	Groundwater levels	NKD
	Miscellaneous water quality	NKD

Basin Management

Groundwater management:	Modoc County adopted a groundwater management ordinance in 2000.
Water agencies	
Public	California Pines CSD
Private	None

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